

REMARKS

In the final Office action dated July 10, 2006, claims 56-68 are pending. The Examiner withdrew from consideration claims 64-68, rejected claims 59, 61 and 62, and allowed claims 56-58, 60 and 63. Applicant has amended the application cancelling claims 59, 61 and 62. Applicant is concurrently filing a Notice of Appeal because the Office action is final.

Drawing Objections

The drawings were objected to because the Office action states that elements of claims 59, 61 and 62 are not shown in the drawings. This objection is now moot in view of applicant's cancellation of those claims.

The drawings were also objected to because the Office action says that reference characters 108 and 118 "appear to designate a plurality of different elements of the invention" in Figures 1, 14, 15 and 17. Applicant respectfully traverses this objection, contending that reference numeral 108 consistently designates wall panels in the figures, and reference numeral 118 consistently designates the rafter.

Finality of the Office action

Applicant filed a Request for Continued Examination on April 20, 2006. Applicant then received the pending final Office action which was mailed on July 10, 2006. The Office action states "all claims are drawn to the same invention claimed in the application prior to entry of this submission under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 and could have been finally rejected on the grounds and art of record in the next Office action if they had been entered in this application prior to entry under 37 C.F.R. 1.114. Accordingly this action is made FINAL." Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the finality of the Office action. The allowed claims are different from the ones previously presented. Applicant does not understand the statement "... could have been finally rejected on the grounds and art of record in the next Office action if they had been entered in the application prior to entry under 37 C.F.R. 1.114." Applicant believes it is entitled to non-final Office action under the circumstances.

Applicant believes that the application is in condition for allowance. Please contact applicant's undersigned attorney if there are any additional issues to address.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

Respectfully submitted,


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